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# Annual Report

OF THE

## SELECTMEN

and Other Town Officers

OF

Lempster, New Hampshire



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FOR THE YEAR ENDING

*JANUARY 31, 1940*





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## TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator	Fred A. Barton
Town Clerk	Joseph A. Edmonds
Selectman	Fred A. Barton
Selectman	Frank M. Lovejoy
Selectman	James E. Allen
Treasurer	Jennie A. Mowat
Tax Collector	Elmer P. Flint
Overseer of Poor	Arthur L. Benway
Police	Harry B. Frye
Police	George L. Richardson
Fire Warden	Fred A. Barton
Deputy	Guy E. Currier
Deputy	Charles Abbott
Deputy	George L. Richardson
Deputy	Lucius Nichols
Fire Chief	George L. Richardson
Road Agent, North	William F. Horton
Road Agent, South	Hubert Hartwell, Jr.
Road Agent, Mountain	Theodore Wirkkala
Supervisor	Harold B. Nichols
Supervisor	Hubert Hartwell, Jr.
Supervisor	W. Corey Mowat
Auditor	Moses H. Douglass
Sexton	Harold B. Nichols

## TOWN WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lempster in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Lempster on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To bring in your votes for Delegates-at-large, Alternate Delegates-at-large, Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the National Conventions of the various Political Parties to be held to nominate Party Candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

Article 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Interest on Debt.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to keep the Common mowed around the Soldiers' Monument at Lempster Street.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for State Aid Construction or Town Road Aid.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to deliver blank inventories at the time they appraise the property for taxation.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to elect one Road Agent instead of three, to take effect in 1941.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Home Day and Memorial Day.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Library.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to reinsure the Town Hall and Union Hall.

Article 12. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money for the Town in anticipation of taxes.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to limit the Road Agents to the appropriations.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote



to raise for Old Age Assistance and pass any vote in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see what sum per hour the Town will pay for labor on the highway.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to receive sealed bids for mowing Town roads, a separate bid to be sent for each district.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, in their discretion, to grant right-of-way easements to the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc., over lands owned by the Town.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept in trust the sum of \$200.00 from Fred C. Parker Estate for the care of his lot in East Lempster Cemetery, to be known as the Parker and Stafford Trust Fund.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the municipal accounting division and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Fire Company.

Article 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Athletic Association.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$200.00 for White Pine Blister Rust.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for the issuance and distribution of printed matter calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region, said appropriation to be disbursed by the Selectmen.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase some kind of a snow remover to be used on a truck.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to buy more snow fence.

Article 26. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty.

FRED A. BARTON,  
FRANK M. LOVEJOY,  
JAMES E. ALLEN,

Selectmen of Lempster.

## BUDGET

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Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940.

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1939	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1940	Increase	Decrease
From State:				
Interest and Divi- dends Tax	\$ 12.03	\$ 12.03	\$	\$
Insurance Tax	.45	.45		
Hurricane Reim- bursement	300.97			300.97
Savings Bank Tax	95.68	95.68		
Use of Tractor	59.00	59.00		
Class V Highways	1,871.51	1,898.81	27.30	
Bounties	116.60	50.00		66.60
Relief Reimburse- ments	10.00	50.00	40.00	
From Local Sources				
Except Taxes:				
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	30.00			30.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	378.22	200.00		178.22
Income of Depart- ments:				
Highway, includ- ing rental of Tractor	26.50	25.00		1.50
Trust Fund	325.00			325.00
Refund from Overpayment	3.24			3.24



J. P. Wright, refund	27.33			27.33
Income from Muni- cipally owned Utilities:				
Refund, Town of Washington	8.00			8.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	382.85	382.85		
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:	5,548.20			
Poll Taxes	228.00	228.00		
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.00	25.00		
Taxes of Previ- ous Years	3,262.58	3,262.58		
Cost on Taxes	128.88	128.88		
Taxes Redeemed	465.36	450.00		15.36
Property Sold	1,118.19	1,000.00		118.19
Dog Tax, 1938	10.20			10.20
Dog Tax, 1939	74.83	100.00	25.17	
Amount Raised by Is- sue of Bonds or Notes:				
Temporary Loan	3,000.00	3,000.00		
Cash on Hand (surplus)	240.46	2,361.30	2,120.84	
Total Revenues from All Sources Ex- cept Property Taxes	\$17,749.08	\$13,329.58	\$ 2,213.31	\$ 1,084.61
Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1939	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1940	Increase	Decrease
Current Maintenance Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town Officers'				
Salaries	\$ 486.27	\$ 525.00	\$ 38.73	\$



Town Officers'			
Expenses	191.09	200.00	8.91
Election and Regis-			
tration Expenses	48.00	115.00	67.00
Expenses Town Hall			
and Other Town			
Buildings	115.24	100.00	15.24
Protection of Persons			
and Property:			
Police Dept.		5.00	5.00
Fire Dept.	305.60	200.00	105.60
Lumber	368.13		368.13
Health:			
Bounties	27.40	50.00	22.50
Vital Statistics	1.75	2.00	.25
Damage by Dogs	7.50	10.00	2.50
Highways and			
Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	1,101.20	1,000.00	101.20
Sanding	455.65	500.00	44.35
Tractor Expense	441.57	300.00	141.57
Bids for Mowing			
Roadsides	213.98	200.00	13.98
Libraries:			
Libraries	37.50	37.50	
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	502.32	500.00	2.32
Old Age Assistance	158.25	150.00	8.25
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day			
and Other			
Celebrations	20.00	20.00	
Recreation:			
Parks and Play-			
grounds, incl. band			
concerts		12.50	12.50
Public Service Enter-			
prises:			
Cemeteries	82.50	50.00	32.50
Legal Expenses	26.00		26.00
Interest:			
On Temporary			
Loans	40.91	40.00	.91

On Bonded Debt	475.00	425.00		50.00
Taxes bought				
by Town	888.05	800.00		88.05
Interest	71.31	71.31		
Cost	72.95	72.95		
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:				
Highways and Bridges:				
Incidental charges	28.75	25.00		3.75
Misc. General Expenses	201.91	200.00		1.91
Snow Removal	305.31			305.31
Indebtedness:				
Payment on Principal of Debt:				
Bonds	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Temporary Loan	3,000.00	3,000.00		
Trust Funds	325.00			325.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:				
County Taxes	1,542.63	1,400.00		142.63
T. R. A.	335.98	330.00		5.98
Payments to School Districts	2,510.03	3,162.38	652.35	
Total Expenditures	\$15,387.78	\$14,503.54	\$ 854.09	\$ 1,738.33



## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

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Land and Buildings	\$190,695.00
54 Horses	4,380.00
6 Oxen	490.00
120 Cows	5,241.00
22 Neat Stock	696.00
25 Sheep	92.00
3 Hogs	10.00
140 Fowls	140.00
4 Goats	30.00
Portable Mills	1,200.00
Wood and Lumber	16,294.00
Gasoline Pumps	150.00
Stock in Trade	525.00
Mills and Machinery	950.00
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	\$220,893.00
Soldiers' Exemption	5,525.00

### TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

181 Poll Taxes	\$ 362.00
Property Tax	8,342.65
National Bank Tax	25.00
Taxes Added	80.20
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	\$ 8,809.85

### APPROPRIATIONS

Town Roads	\$ 1,000.00
T. R. A.	336.00
Other Town Charges	1,400.00
Fire Company	200.00
Tools for Fighting Fire	25.00
Library	37.50
Old Age Assistance	200.00
Memorial and Old Home Day	20.00
Parks and Commons	12.50
Interest	535.00
Payment on Principal of Debt	1,000.00

County Tax	1,542.63
School Tax	2,889.93
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	\$ 9,198.56

## LESS ESTIMATED REVENUE AND CREDIT

Insurance Tax	\$ .45
Auto Permits	382.85
Savings Bank Tax	95.68
Interest and Dividend Tax	12.03
Bank Stock	25.00
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	\$ 516.01

## ASSETS

Cash in Treasury February 1, 1940	\$ 2,361.30
Taxes of 1930, uncollected	161.92
Taxes of 1931, uncollected	392.85
Taxes of 1932, uncollected	239.53
Taxes of 1933, uncollected	148.20
Taxes of 1935, uncollected	75.85
Taxes of 1937, uncollected	277.56
Taxes of 1938, uncollected	205.53
Taxes of 1939, uncollected	2,907.05
Taxes bought by Town, 1933	44.07
Taxes bought by Town, 1934	299.01
Taxes bought by Town, 1935	465.80
Taxes bought by Town, 1936	445.69
Taxes bought by Town, 1937	659.00
Taxes bought by Town, 1938	814.34
Bounties due Town	27.40
Rent due on Gale Place from Clayton Pero	37.50
Real Estate Mortgage	200.00
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	\$ 9,762.60

## LIABILITIES

First National Bank, Bond	\$ 9,000.00
School District	1,432.01
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	\$ 10,432.01
Net debt February 1, 1939	2,911.11
Net debt February 1, 1940	669.41
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Decrease of debt	\$ 2,241.70



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Dogs licensed from May 1, 1939 to April 30, 1940:

28 Males @ \$2.00	\$	56.00
1 Male, part year		1.83
5 Spayed Females @ \$2.00		10.00
4 Females @ \$5.00		20.00

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\$ 87.83

Less 38 fees @ 20c 7.60

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Paid Town Treasurer \$ 80.23

Dogs licensed from Sept. 17, 1938 to April 30, 1939:

3 Males @ 02.00	\$	6.00
1 Female @ \$5.00		5.00

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\$ 11.00

Less 4 fees @ 20c .80

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Paid Town Treasurer \$ 10.20

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Total \$ 90.43

Auto Tax from Feb. 1, 1939 to Jan. 31, 1940:

Paid Town Treasurer \$ 368.86

JOS. A. EDMOND,  
Town Clerk.

# TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

## Receipts

Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1939		\$	240.46
J. A. Edmonds, 1938 Dog Tax	\$	10.20	
J. A. Edmonds, 1939 Dog Tax		74.83	
J. A. Edmonds, Auto Fees		382.85	\$ 467.88

### Treasurer, State of New Hampshire:

Bounties	\$	116.60	
Hurricane Reimbursement		300.97	
Class V Highways		1,871.51	
Use of Tractor		59.00	
Insurance Tax		.45	
Savings Bank Tax		95.68	
Interest and Dividend Tax		12.03	\$ 2,456.24
A. L. Benway, Relief Reimbursement			10.00
Rent from Gale Place			30.00
Town of Washington, Running Lines			8.00
J. P. Wright, School Land Rent	\$	4.83	
J. P. Wright, Plowing Road		22.50	\$ 27.33
M. H. Douglass, Note			1,000.00
First National Bank, Note			2,000.00
H. Hartwell, Agent, Use of Tractor			14.50
W. Horton, Agent, Use of Tractor			5.00
T. Wirkkala, Agent, Use of Tractor			7.00
Selectmen, Sale of Town Property			1,118.19
Refund from Overpayment			3.24
Fred Parker and Mary Stafford Trust Fund			200.00
Charlotte Harris, Trust Fund			125.00
E. P. Flint, 1932 Property Tax			
and Interest	\$	123.55	
1935 Tax, Int., Costs Redeemed		200.98	
1936 Tax, Int., Costs Redeemed		58.68	
1936 Tax and Interest		68.94	
1937 Tax, Int., Costs Redeemed		289.58	
1937 Tax and Interest		251.64	



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1938 Tax, Int., Costs Redeemed	92.38	
1938 Tax, Int., Costs	3,148.21	
1939 Tax and Interest	5,802.28	\$ 10,036.24
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Total receipts		\$ 17,749.08
Less payments		15,387.78
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Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1940		\$ 2,361.30

JENNIE A. MOWAT,  
Treasurer.

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' salaries	\$ 486.27	
Town Officers' expenses	191.09	
Election and Registration expense	48.00	
Town Hall expense	2.70	
Union Hall expense	112.54	\$ 840.60
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Protection of Persons and Property		\$ 305.60
Bounties		27.40
Health		
Vital Statistics		1.75
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance		1,101.20
Sanding		455.65
Tractor expense		441.57
Libraries		37.50
Charities:		
Town Poor	\$ 502.32	
Old Age Assistance	158.25	\$ 660.57
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Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day	\$ 10.00	
Old Home Day	10.00	\$ 20.00
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Damage by Dogs		7.50
Public Service Enterprise		82.50

Mowing the roadsides			213.98
Indebtedness:			
Temporary Loan			4,000.00
Interest on temporary loans and bonds			515.91
Payments to other Governmental Divisions:			
County tax	\$	1,542.63	
T. R. A. money raised		335.98	
School money		2,510.03	\$ 4,388.64
Unclassified:			
Legal expense	\$	26.00	
Taxes bought by town		888.05	
Interest on taxes sold to town		71.31	
Costs on taxes sold to town		72.95	
Incidental charges		28.75	\$ 1,087.06
Trust Funds			325.00
Lumber expense			368.13
Miscellaneous, general			201.91
Snow removal			305.31
Total payments			\$ 15,387.78



## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

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### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Fred A. Barton, Selectman	\$ 100.00
Frank M. Lovejoy, Selectman	75.00
James E. Allen, Selectman	75.00
Jennie A. Mowat, Treasurer	50.00
Joseph A. Edmonds, Town Clerk	35.00
Arthur L. Benway, Overseer of Poor	25.00
Jacob Wanner, Health Officer	10.00
Fred A. Barton, Moderator	2.00
Moses Douglass, services as Auditor and supplies	9.40
Elmer P. Flint, Tax Collector for 1932, 1935, 1936	4.79
Elmer P. Flint, Tax Collector for 1937, 1938, 1939	40.47
Elmer P. Flint, Tax Collector for 1939	53.56
Elmer P. Flint, commission	4.24
Elmer P. Flint, Tax Collector, commission	1.81
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	\$ 486.27

### TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Wheeler & Clark supplies for Town Clerk	\$ 4.08
Joseph A. Edmonds, supplies for Town Clerk	3.40
Joseph A. Edmonds, Auto and Truck Guide	4.35
Joseph A. Edmonds, copying 2 pages of record book	2.40
Wheeler & Clark, supplies for Town Clerk	3.17
Wheeler & Clark, supplies for Selectmen	5.12
Edson C. Eastman, supplies for Selectmen	2.65
Edson C. Eastman, supplies for Selectmen	.33
Wheeler & Clark, supplies for Selectmen	1.03
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies for Tax Collector	3.45
Harold W. Shelton, bonds for Town Officers	42.50
Joseph A. Edmonds, 80 auto permits	20.00
Edson C. Eastman, payment book	8.13
E. P. Flint, incidental charges	3.10
E. P. Flint, registering notices to taxpayers	5.25
E. P. Flint, advertising 25 parcels of real estate	25.00
E. P. Flint, discharging 13 parcels of real estate	4.25

E. P. Flint, advertising taxes	7.75
E. P. Flint, postage and stationery	3.70
E. P. Flint, expenses of Tax Collectors' meeting	7.70
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies for Tax Collector	1.30
E. P. Flint, discharging tax sales	1.75
Jennie A. Mowat, envelopes and stamps	1.90
Jacob Wanner, expenses as Health Officer	18.78
E. P. Flint, 9 tax deeds	9.00
E. P. Flint, discharging tax sale	1.00
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	\$ 191.09

#### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Hubert Hartwell, 4 Supervisors' meetings	\$ 8.00
Hubert Hartwell, 3 Supervisors' meetings	6.00
Harold B. Nichols, 7 Supervisors' meetings	14.00
William C. Mowat, 7 Supervisors' meetings	14.00
Hubert Hartwell, Sr., 2 meetings as Ballot Clerk	4.00
E. P. Flint, 1 meeting as Ballot Clerk	2.00
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Total	\$ 48.00

#### HEALTH

Joseph A. Edmonds, Vital Statistics	\$ 1.75
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#### TOWN HALL EXPENSE

Loren Flanders, lights for Supervisors	\$ 1.20
M. C. Terwilliger, lights for Supervisors	1.50
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Total	\$ 2.70

#### UNION HALL EXPENSE

Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., labor on steeple	\$ 29.30
John Wirkkala, labor on steeple	28.80
Fred Cutts, 3 lights of glass	.50
McAfee Cash Store, supplies	.49
Silsby & Johnson, supplies	38.45
Everett Thurber, janitor work	3.00
N. H. Electric Cooperative, Inc.	5.00
F. A. Barton, 1 cord of wood	7.00
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Total	\$ 112.54

#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Guy E. Currier, posting fire notices	\$ 5.60
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Horace Cragin, Treasurer Fire Company, appropriation	300.00
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Total	\$ 305.60
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**HEDGEHOG BOUNTIES**

F. A. Barton, 87 hedgehogs	\$ 17.40
Frank M. Lovejoy, 9 hedgehogs	1.80
F. A. Barton, 41 hedgehogs	8.20
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	\$ 27.40

**LUMBER EXPENSE****Baker Lot**

Richard Demarsh, cutting lumber	\$ 30.00
Fred Dean, cutting lumber	4.73
Harold Vines, hauling lumber	19.62
Clifton G. Baker, skidding lumber	28.65
Henry Neal, cutting lumber	15.00
Milton Steward, cutting lumber	15.00
Fred A. Barton, money paid for lumber cut	6.00
Clifton G. Baker, skidding lumber	15.00
Henry Neal, cutting lumber	15.00
Milton Steward, cutting lumber	15.00
Henry Neal, cutting lumber	15.00
Milton Steward, cutting lumber	15.00
Clifton G. Baker, skidding lumber	15.00
Harold Vines, hauling lumber	29.14
Clifton G. Baker, skidding lumber	15.00
Fred A. Barton, 10 gal. gas for tractor	2.00
Fred A. Barton, money paid George Perry and A. J. Bredeau	6.00
Wendell Dow, cutting lumber	6.00
Clarence Whipple, lumbering	54.50
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	\$ 339.89

**Mountain Lot**

Clarence Whipple, cutting lumber	\$ 1.00
Clarence Whipple, cutting and hauling lumber	24.40
Clarence Whipple, hauling lumber	2.84
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	\$ 28.24
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	\$ 368.13



**DAMAGE BY DOGS**

Guy F. Currier, damage by dogs	\$	4.00
Raymond Currier, damage by dogs		3.50
	\$	7.50

**PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES**

Charles Clark, mowing Common at Street	\$	12.50
Harold B. Nichols, opening 2 graves		16.00
Harold B. Nichols, mowing Cem. at E. Lempster		45.00
Harold B. Nichols, mowing Gee Cemetery		5.00
Harold B. Nichols, shoveling snow in Cemetery		4.00
	\$	82.50

**PATRIOTIC PURPOSES**

Claire Sing, money for Memorial Day	\$	10.00
Elsie M. Barton, Secretary Old Home Assn.		10.00
	\$	20.00

**LIBRARY**

Jennie A. Mowat, Trustee appropriations	\$	37.50
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**TRUST FUNDS**

Harold B. Nichols, money paid by Charlotte Harris for Trust Fund	\$	125.00
Harold B. Nichols, money paid by Fred C. Parker for Trust Fund		200.00
	\$	325.00

**RELIEF**

A. L. Benway, Overseer of the Poor:		
Max Namecy	\$	32.00
Board and care of Josephine Simons		14.30
Dr. D. C. Moriarty		5.10
Board of May Thayer—7 weeks		28.00
Board and care of Josephine Simons		44.33
Board of May Thayer		16.00
Board of Josephine Simons		42.90
Board of Josephine Simons		88.66
Care of tramps, getting wood for M. Namecy, board of May Thayer		32.80

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Board and care of Josephine Simons	148.23
Mary Hitchcock Hospital, x-ray for Clayton Pero	15.00
Board and care for Josephine Simons	31.00
Dr. Prince, for Clayton Pero	4.00
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	\$ 502.32

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of New Hampshire	\$ 11.25
State of New Hampshire	8.75
State of New Hampshire	11.25
State of New Hampshire	11.25
State of New Hampshire	11.25
State of New Hampshire	11.25
State of New Hampshire	11.25
State of New Hampshire	12.25
State of New Hampshire	12.25
State of New Hampshire	30.00
State of New Hampshire	27.50
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	\$ 158.25

## INDEBTEDNESS

First National Bank, bond	\$ 1,000.00
First National Bank, note	2,000.00
Moses Douglass, note	1,000.00
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Total	\$ 4,000.00

## INTEREST

First National Bank, interest on bond	\$ 250.00
First National Bank, interest on note	16.25
Moses Douglass, interest on note	24.66
First National Bank, interest on bond	225.00
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Total	\$ 515.91

## UNCLASSIFIED

E. P. Flint, non-resident taxes bought by Town	\$ 204.24
E. P. Flint, interest on non-resident taxes	16.40
E. P. Flint, cost on non-resident taxes	26.97
E. P. Flint, resident taxes bought by Town	683.81
E. P. Flint, costs on taxes sold to Town	45.98
E. P. Flint, interest on taxes sold to town	54.91

E. P. Flint, incidental charges	22.50
E. P. Flint, recording tax sales	6.25
J. M. Barton, retainer's fee	26.00

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\$ 1,087.06

#### PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

Treasurer, State of N. H., T. R. A.	\$ 168.00
M. J. Sargent, County Tax	1,542.63
Treasurer, State of N. H., T. R. A.	167.98
Payments to School District	2,425.00
Dog tax paid to School District	85.03

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\$ 4,388.64

#### TRACTOR EXPENSE

Harold Fairbanks, welding snow plow	\$ 2.50
John Wirkkala, freight on grousers	2.58
John Wirkkala, labor on tractor and snow plow	9.60
John Wirkkala, gas for tractor	27.93
F. A. Barton, freight on oil	.95
John Wirkkala, labor on tractor	5.40
Miller Auto Co., tracts for tractor	100.84
John Wirkkala, labor on tractor	3.60
Southwestern Petroleum Co., grease	18.87
Miller Auto Co., oil and parts	42.65
W. H. Wirkkala, gas for tractor	9.88
John Wirkkala, repairs on tractor	12.80
Gardner's Garage, welding tractor	14.00
John Wirkkala, labor on tractor	7.15
Miller Auto Co., oil for tractor	25.80
Miller Auto Co., repairs for tractor	16.49
John Wirkkala, labor and material on snow plow	36.00
John Wirkkala, labor on tractor	19.40
Miller Auto Co., parts for tractor	.74
Roy Buss, freight on oil	.97
Miller Auto Co., repairs on tractor	83.42

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\$ 441.57

#### SNOW REMOVAL

Town of Marlow, plowing road for John Wright	\$ 45.00
Myron Baker, labor on highway	2.40
Clifton Baker, labor on highway	2.40
John Wirkkala, snow removal	54.80



John Wirkkala, snow removal	21.20
John Wirkkala, snow removal	54.40
John Wirkkala, gas for tractor	30.21
L. H. Nichols, labor removing snow	2.40
John Wirkkala, snow removal	66.00
John Wirkkala, F. A. Barton, gas	1.90
John Wirkkala, gas for snow removal	24.60

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\$ 305.31

#### MOWING THE ROADSIDES

H. L. Magoon, mowing Mountain District	\$ 74.00
H. L. Magoon, mowing North District	73.00
H. L. Magoon, mowing Town road	2.00
William Hook, mowing South District	64.98

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\$ 213.98

#### MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL EXPENSE

The Howe Press, printing tax bills	\$ 3.35
Hugh Pollard, running town line	6.40
James E. Allen, helping run town line	4.80
Heman Chase, surveying town line	27.45
Lawrence Hodgman, helping run town line	3.00
Hugh Pollard, looking up lines	6.00
L. H. Nichols, helping run lines	9.00
Heman Chase, surveying town line	8.00
The Argus Press, printing town reports	75.00
The Argus Press, printing ballots	6.75
Clinton K. Barton, making transfers	9.20
M. L. Sargent & Sons, insurance on Town and Union Halls	18.60
Harry E. Jameson, report of Probate Judge	.30
Armond Geoffrion, welding parts of road machine	1.00
The Howe Press, taxpayers' notices	1.50
Triangle Telephone Co.	4.20
Joseph A. Edmonds, notarizing papers	.50
Arthur L. Benway, refund on lumber	7.36
Clinton K. Barton, making deeds and examining records	9.50

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\$ 201.91

#### FRANK HODGMAN—SANDING

Sanding, truck, 6 hours; and labor, 29 hours	\$ 18.80
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Sanding, labor, truck, 14 hours	28.65
Sanding highway	42.00
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\$	89.45

#### ROAD REPORT FOR GAS MONEY—SOUTH DISTRICT

Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., Road Agent

H. C. Hartwell, Jr., truck	\$ 7.20
Earl Nichols, labor	.40
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., labor	1.60
John Wirkkala, labor	4.00
H. C. Hartwell, Jr., labor	7.60
Town of Lempster, tractor	4.50
Fred A. Barton, gas	5.40
Theodore Wirkkala, labor	3.20
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Total	\$ 33.90

#### ROAD REPORT OF SANDING, 1939—SOUTH DISTRICT

Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., Road Agent

H. C. Hartwell, Jr., truck	\$ 57.00
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., truck	57.60
Malcolm Olds, labor	10.00
Robert Olds, labor	4.40
Marshall Olds, labor	4.40
Francis Horton, labor	5.80
Bruce Nichols, labor	3.80
Harry E. Frye, labor	2.40
W. D. Thurber, labor	3.20
Robert Champney, labor	6.80
James Wilson, labor	3.20
Clifton Baker, labor	6.00
Myron Baker, labor	9.60
Horace Cragin, labor	14.00
W. C. Hook, labor	5.60
Earl Nichols,, labor	2.40
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., labor	4.80
H. C. Hartwell, Jr., labor	4.80
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Total	\$ 205.80

#### ROAD REPORT FOR SOUTH DISTRICT FOR 1939

Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., Road Agent

Town of Lempster, tractor	\$ 10.00
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W. H. Wirkkala, gas and grease	6.00
Fred A. Barton, gas	1.60
Mike Wirkkala, labor	26.20
Eugene Pike, labor	17.60
W. C. Hook, labor	4.40
Charles Gassett, labor	.40
Guy Currier, labor	.40
James Allen, labor	1.40
John Wirkkala, labor	.80
Horace Cragin, labor	12.00
Fred Dean, labor	2.40
Earl Nichols, labor	6.80
Marshall K. Olds, labor	6.40
W. W. Heiser, labor	6.40
L. H. Nichols, Jr., labor	7.60
H. C. Hartwell, Jr., labor	25.20
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., labor	4.20
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., bridge plank	43.74
H. C. Hartwell, Jr., stringers	6.50
State of New Hampshire, gravel	7.50
H. C. Hartwell, Jr., truck	112.80
H. C. Hartwell, Sr., truck	19.20
George Richardson, truck	3.60
Total	\$ 333.14

## NORTH DISTRICT

William F. Horton, Agent

William F. Horton	\$ 32.00
G. Richardson, truck	27.60
H. Cragin	10.80
Ed. Howard	.80
Frank Hodgman, truck	32.40
L. H. Nichols	24.40
Harold Vines, truck	54.00
Mike Wirkkala	9.20
E. P. Flint	12.60
W. H. Wirkkala, gas	3.99
Town of Lempster, tractor	5.00
Will Perkins	5.20
W. H. Wirkkala, bridge plank	23.58
Henry Greenwood, bridge stringers	5.00
H. Pollard	3.20
Henry Greenwood	3.20



W. H. Wirkkala, truck	13.20
H. Hartwell, Sr., bridge plank	10.92
William Hook	1.60
Clifton Baker	1.60
Myron Baker	1.60
Earl Nichols	1.60
H. Hartwell, Sr., truck	4.80
State of New Hampshire, gravel	3.90
Laurence Hodgman	3.20
L. H. Nichols, Jr.	9.60
Aaro Santti	6.40
Henry LaFrance	6.40
William Beaver	3.20
E. LaFrance	3.20
Arthur St. Amant, gravel	5.60
Gene Pike	3.20
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	\$ 332.99

## NORTH DISTRICT—SANDING ROADS

William F. Horton, Agent

William F. Horton	\$ 10.20
H. Cragin	10.00
H. Hartwell, Jr., truck	38.40
Ed. Howard	.80
L. Hodgman	3.60
B. Whiting	2.00
Francis Horton	5.60
Mac. Olds	2.00
T. Wirkkala	7.60
W. Wirkkala, truck	24.00
Clarence Roberts	4.40
L. H. Nichols, Jr.	4.40
G. Richardson, truck	14.20
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	\$ 127.20

## NORTH DISTRICT—WHEELER BRIDGE

William F. Horton, Agent

William F. Horton	\$ 10.40
L. May Wheeler, stringers	4.00
L. May Wheeler, 1400 feet logs	4.50
McAfee Store, 2" spikes	.12

H. Hartwell, Jr., truck	14.20
Ted. Savage, man and team	8.00
Mike Wirkkala	8.80
T. Wirkkala	11.60
W. H. Wirkkala, truck	1.20
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	\$ 62.82

## TOWN MAINTENANCE—MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

## Theodore Wirkkala, Road Agent

Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., stringers	\$ 9.00
Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., labor	4.20
W. H. Wirkkala, sawing stringers	2.00
W. H. Wirkkala, bridge planks	19.35
Walter Simons	2.60
Horace Cragin	2.60
Charles R. Jones	3.00
Gene Pike	6.20
Elmer Flint	16.00
William Horton	2.80
W. H. Wirkkala, gasoline	7.40
Town of Lempster, tractor	7.00
State of New Hampshire, gravel	8.40
Theodore Wirkkala	51.40
Mike Wirkkala	14.00
John Wirkkala	3.40
Lucius Nichols, Sr.	12.80
Harold Nichols	16.00
Lucius Nichols, Jr.	6.40
Bealer Berquist	.80
Frank Hodgman, Jr.	10.40
Harold Vines, man and truck	9.60
Harold Hodgman, man and truck	9.60
Hubert Hartwell, Sr., man and truck	9.60
W. H. Wirkkala, man and truck	60.00
George Richardson, man and truck	18.60
Hubert C. Hartwell, Jr., man and truck	6.00
William Beaver	3.20
Bernard Whiting	3.20
William Hook	3.20
Myron Baker	3.20
Clifton Baker	3.20

Earl D. Nichols	3.20
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	\$ 338.35
Town owes for scraping done on skidways at Lempster Pond	5.15
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	\$ 333.20

### SANDING—MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Theodore Wirkkala, Road Agent

Theodore Wirkkala	\$ 4.40
W. H. Wirkkala, man and truck	20.40
John Wirkkala	.80
Lucius Nichols, Sr.	2.40
Lucius Nichols, Jr.	2.00
Earl Nichols	.80
Horace Cragin	2.40
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	\$ 33.20

### VALUATION OF TOWN PROPERTY

Union Hall at Lempster	\$ 2,500.00
Town Hall at East Lempster	500.00
Town Safe	100.00
Town Tractor	1,000.00
Tool Shed	150.00
Road Machine	200.00
Snow Plow	200.00
200 Chairs	100.00
Small Tools	50.00
2 Stoves	50.00
Town Library and Equipment	500.00
Snow Fence	100.00
11 Settees	22.00
2 Pianos	110.00
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	\$ 5,582.00

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### REAL ESTATE ACQUIRED BY TAX DEEDS

Daniel Paul Estate. This land is situated on the north side of the highway leading from Lempster Street to Unity and on



the west side of the Newport Road and is known as the Carr Pasture. Sold to contain 75 acres more or less.

Daniel Paul Estate. This land is also situated on the north side of the highway leading from Lempster Street to Unity and is bounded on the East by the Carr Pasture and on the west by Edward Hall land and the old Turnpike. This deed does not include any land south of the highway leading from Lempster to Unity. Said to contain 75 acres more or less.

Charles Davis Heirs. This real estate is situated on Lempster Mountain. The side of the highway leading from East Lempster to Washington and is bounded on the south by land of the Isaac Hodgman Estate and on the north by the highway and east by the south road so-called with a house on it. Contains about 2 acres.

Arthur Gamash. This is a tract of land in the north part of the town and is known as the Robert Booth land and contains 10 acres more or less.

Haverhill Trust Company. This land is situated on Lempster Mountain, south of the highway leading from East Lempster to Washington, said to contain 100 acres more or less.

Mrs. Fred Stone. This piece of land lies north of the highway leading from East Lempster to Washington and is bounded by land of Clarence Whipple, supposed to have a cabin on it and contains about 5 acres more or less.

Charles Emerson. This land is situated south of the highway leading from East Lempster to Washington right back of the old schoolhouse and contains 50 acres more or less. Full description given in the deed.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

For Year Ending January 31, 1940

### RECEIPTS

School Funds:

Asa Way, interest 3%, 2½ %	\$	12.39	
Henry Hurd, interest		4.60	\$ 16.99

Cemetery Funds:

James G. Hosley, interest 3%, 2½ %	\$	8.30	
Charles Booth, interest 3%, 2½ %		13.84	
Duren S. Honey, interest 3%, 2½ %		4.15	
Almon Booth, interest 3%, 2½ %		2.76	
Frank B. Davis, interest 3%, 2½ %		2.08	
Leander Hill, interest 3%, 2½ %		5.54	
William T. Thissell, interest 3%, 2½ %		5.54	
Minerva Gee, interest 3%, 2½ %		2.08	
Frank W. Huntoon, interest 3%, 2½ %		2.76	
Mina Shanks, interest 3%, 2½ %		5.54	
Andrew J. Mitchell, interest 3%, 2½ %		5.54	
Duren S. Honey, interest 3%		4.53	
Arthur K. Hodgman, interest 3%		3.02	
Henry Bingham, interest 3%		3.02	\$ 68.70

\$ 85.69

Unexpended Balance January 31, 1939 17.64

Total Receipts \$ 103.33

### EXPENDITURES

Lempster School District	\$	16.99
Charles F. Clark, labor		22.90
Charles F. Clark, 5 qts. metal paint and turpentine		3.00
Harold B. Nichols, labor		38.70
Harold B. Nichols, paint brush		.15

Total Expenditures \$ 81.74

Unexpended Income January 31, 1940 \$ 21.59

The work in the spring was cleaning up and burning leaves, pine needles and brush and resurfacing lots. Through the summer the work consisted mostly of mowing the Fund lots and keeping the brush picked up.

In the fall the iron fence around the Hosley lot was painted and the brush trimmed back along the bank wall.

#### WHERE FUNDS ARE INVESTED

##### School Funds:

Asa Way	
Newport Savings Bank	\$ 447.50
Henry Hurd	
Newport Savings Bank	166.66

##### Cemetery Funds:

James G. Hosley	
Newport Savings Bank	300.00
Charles Booth	
Newport Savings Bank	500.00
Duren S. Honey	
Newport Savings Bank	150.00
Almon Booth	
Newport Savings Bank	100.00
Frank B. Davis	
Newport Savings Bank	75.00
Leander Hill	
Newport Savings Bank	200.00
William T. Thissell	
Newport Savings Bank	200.00
Andrew J. Mitchell	
Newport Savings Bank	200.00
Minerva Gee	
Newport Savings Bank	75.00
Frank W. Huntoon	
Newport Savings Bank	100.00
Mina Shanks	
Newport Savings Bank	200.00
Duren S. Honey	
Sugar River Savings Bank	150.00
Arthur K. Hodgman	
Sugar River Savings Bank	100.00
Henry Bingham	
Sugar River Savings Bank	100.00
Charlotte Harris, received from the Selectmen, January 30, 1940	125.00

CHARLES F. CLARK,  
LUCIUS H. NICHOLS,  
HAROLD B. NICHOLS,

Trustees.

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand February 1, 1939	\$ 9.50
Town appropriation	37.50
Donation	2.00
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Total Receipts	\$ 49.00

### EXPENDITURES

Lillian Hartwell, librarian	\$ 24.00
Silver Mt. Grange, lights	6.00
Rubber stamps	.65
M. Kiblin, cleaning	1.00
Librarian's certification	.50
Shades	.75
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Total Expenditures	\$ 32.90
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Balance on hand February 1, 1940	\$ 16.10
Number of volumes at beginning of year	2,294
Donated:	
State Aid	20
C. Butler	30
Acworth	10
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	2,354
Discarded	290
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Total volumes in library, February 1, 1940	2,064
Circulation for year, including Bookmobile	2,324

O. L. BERGER,  
JENNIE A. MOWAT, Treas.,  
RUTH S. KIDDER,

Committee.



# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## STATEMENT SHOWING MISTAKE IN WARRANT JANUARY 31, 1940

Amount of Warrant		\$	8,781.21		
Added Tax			80.20	\$	8,861.41
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Actual Amount on Book		\$	8,729.65		
Added Tax			80.20	\$	8,809.85
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Showing Over-charge on Warrant				\$	51.56
E. P. FLINT, Collector.					
1937:					
Unpaid				\$	596.78
Collected	Property	\$	243.54		
	Poll		1.00		
Abated			74.68	\$	329.22
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Uncollected				\$	277.56
1938:					
Unpaid		\$	3,127.40		
Added Tax			2.00	\$	3,129.40
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Collected	Property	\$	2,795.60		
	Poll		96.00	\$	2,891.60
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Abated			32.27	\$	2,923.87
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Uncollected				\$	205.53
1938:					
Sold to Town		\$	888.05		
Redeemed			73.71		
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Unredeemed				\$	814.34
1939:					
Warrant				\$	8,781.21
Tax Added	Poll	\$	2.00		
	Property		78.20	\$	80.20
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Levy				\$	8,861.41
Less Over-charge in Warrant					51.56
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Actual Amount on Book				\$	8,809.85

Collected	Property tax	\$	5,573.20	
	Poll (113)		228.00	
Abated	Poll (9)		18.00	
	Property		83.60	\$ 5,902.80
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Uncollected				\$ 2,907.05
1932:				
Unpaid Taxes				\$ 337.33
Collected	Property	\$	73.40	
Abated			24.40	\$ 97.80
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				\$ 239.53
1933:				
Unpaid Taxes				\$ 160.20
Collected				12.00
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Abated				\$ 148.20
1934:				
Unpaid				\$ 25.25
Abated				\$ 25.25
1935:				
Unpaid				\$ 106.65
Abated				30.80
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				\$ 75.85
1936:				
Unpaid				\$ 101.62
Collected		\$	53.04	
Abated			50.67	\$ 103.71
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Over Balance				\$ 2.09
1935:				
Tax sold to Town				
W. P. Hodgman Est.				\$ 40.00
Henry LaFrance				128.00
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Balance not paid or deeded				\$ 168.00
1936:				
W. P. Hodgman Est.				\$ 44.20
				132.50
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Balance not deeded or paid				\$ 176.70
1933:				
Taxes bought by Town				\$ 44.07

Uncollected	\$ 44.07
1934:	
Taxes bought by Town	\$ 299.01
Uncollected	\$ 299.01
1935:	
Taxes bought by Town	\$ 606.20
Collected	124.40
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	\$ 481.80
Less amount deeded	16.00
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Uncollected	\$ 465.80
1936:	
Taxes bought by Town	\$ 617.49
Collected	35.36
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	\$ 582.13
Less amount deeded	136.44
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	\$ 445.69
1937:	
Taxes bought by Town	\$ 890.89
Collected	231.89
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Uncollected	\$ 659.00
This is correct to the best of my knowledge.	

E. P. FLINT, Collector.

## REAL ESTATE ACQUIRED BY TAX DEEDS

January 31, 1940

### 1935 Levy:

Charles Davis Heirs  
 Fred J. Stone, part Round place  
 D. H. Small

### 1936 Levy:

Charles Emerson, Smith and Armstrong, 50 acres  
 Arthur L. Gamash, Robert Booth Est., 10 acres  
 Haverhill Trust Co., bank land, 9 acres more or less  
 Daniel Paul, Blanchard farm, 75 acres  
 Daniel Paul, Carr land, 75 acres  
 Eaton Donovan and Gilmore Hodgman, Richardson land,  
 200 acres

E. P. FLINT, Collector.

## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

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### Drew orders on County:

February	\$	85.33
March		48.96
April		37.18
May		35.70
June		53.25
July		37.41
August		40.96
September		46.92
October		36.70

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\$ 422.41

Paid Josie Horton	\$	60.00	
Paid Sullivan County		369.42	
Paid D. C. Moriarty, M. D.		5.10	
Paid for cutting and drawing wood		12.00	
Paid for care of tramps		4.80	
Paid Mary Hitchcock Hospital		15.00	
Paid W. M. Prince, M. D.		4.00	
Paid for wood for tramp house		2.00	
Paid for emergency relief		28.91	
Paid for postage		1.09	\$ 502.32

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Received Town orders	\$	502.32
Paid Town Treasurer, reimbursement received from Walter Simons	\$	10.00

A. L. BENWAY,  
Overseer of Poor.



# REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Selectmen and Citizens of Lempster:

We, the Engineers of the Lempster Fire Company, submit the following report:

To our equipment we have added a new Maxin portable fire pump, 150 feet of 2½ inch hose, nozzles and fittings to go with this equipment. This pump is capable of pumping up to 170 pounds of pressure and 250 gallons of water per minute. This pump is something that every citizen of Lempster should be proud of.

We want to thank the citizens for their fine cooperation and support in the past year.

GEORGE L. RICHARDSON, Chief,  
HUBERT C. HARTWELL, JR.

## APPROPRIATION

Unexpended balance January 31, 1939	\$	65.55
May 22, 1939, received from Town Treasurer, appropriation for 1939 and balance of 1938 appropriation		300.00
Treasury Lempster Fire Co.		12.23
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Total Receipts	\$	377.78

## EXPENDITURES

Feb. 20	Shell Union Oil Corp., kerosene	\$	4.95
20	G. L. Richardson, kerosene		.45
Mar. 14	Shell Union Oil Corp., kerosene		2.98
18	Town tax, truck		1.67
18	Registration, truck		27.00
18	Clerk's fee, money order and postage		.43
May 24	R. W. Haskell, portable pump		300.00
June 10	R. W. Haskell, insurance on pump		14.00
Oct. 3	R. W. Haskell, new length 2½ inch hose		8.00
3	Kibbee Machine Co., repairing pump on truck		8.45
3	O. Hutchinson, having battery charged		.50

Nov. 8	Standard Oil Co., kerosene	4.55
Dec. 26	Standard Oil Co., kerosene	4.80
Total Expenditures		<hr/> \$ 377.78
January 31, 1940		

HORACE M. CRAGIN,  
Treasurer Lempster Fire Company.

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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I certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Clerk; Treasurer, Trustees of Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Overseer of the Poor, Tax Collectors, Road Agents, and other officers of the Town of Lempster, and find them properly entered and vouched.

MOSES H. DOUGLASS, Auditor.  
Lempster, N. H., March 2, 1940.

## FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

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Another year has passed and there has not been any brush fires, for which we are very thankful. Two more Deputy Fire Wardens were appointed, Mr. Lucius H. Nichols on the Mountain and the Fire Chief, George Richardson, at East Lempster.

Now, with the Warden and his four deputies, the Fire Company, and the Forest Service Camp, we feel that we are in a very good condition to locate a fire very soon after it starts.

It was said last year that we were facing a very bad fire hazard and I think we are in about the same condition this year. Some green has grown up through the wind fall but it will not amount to much in case of a fire. I still feel as I did last year, that if we are very careful and see to it that everyone else is careful we will not have many fires. We should be on our guard at all times and ask everyone else to be also, and be sure to notify the Warden if there is anyone being careless.

There has been a lot more trees blown down this year than anyone realizes and that adds a little more to the danger. So let each and everyone do their part to prevent a fire for you know what a fire means in a town—higher tax rates—let's try and cooperate to keep our rate as low as possible.

I want to thank the Forest Service Camp for the work they have accomplished in cleaning up brush beside the highway. I think this has done a lot of good not only preventing fires, but also beautifying the roadsides. We certainly hope they do not leave us this summer for we may need their wonderful help.

I also want to thank the Fire Company for their assistance which they are always ready to give. Lempster should be congratulated for having such a band of helpers. I think they have saved several homes that might have been burned by fires that started in the chimney. Not a one has been lost, and here's hoping they continue in their good work.

The \$25.00 that the town raised last year is still in the Treasury. The State did not meet us 50-50, so we did not get any tools, perhaps we will get them this year.

There is a meeting held of the Grafton-Sullivan County Fire Wardens' Association every month somewhere in the two counties. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend and join, membership dues are \$1.00 per year.

With three feet of snow on the ground, and still snowing hard as I am writing this report, I don't think that there will be any forest fires for a few days.

FRED A. BARTON,

Forest Fire Warden.

FRED A. BARTON,

FRANK M. LOVEJOY,

JAMES E. ALLEN,

Selectmen of Lempster.



REPORT OF THE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT





## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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To the School Board of Lempster:

I am happy to report that I find the teaching at both the Lempster schools of a very high quality. We have certainly been fortunate to retain such able teachers as Mrs. Viola Horton for the upper grades and Miss Claire Sing for the lower grades. Each is specially prepared for the grades taught.

In spite of the very large number of prospective high school pupils for next year, we find ourselves in not too bad financial condition. The state legislature did not appropriate money enough to meet its obligations to the state aided districts in full. The total amount of these "savings" has been placed as a burden on the state aided districts in the form of reduced checks.

Nothing has been done to relieve the smaller districts when they find themselves with an extra large number of high school pupils. Two extra burdens have been placed on the districts, one, to transport or board high school pupils who are not fourteen years old, the other to educate handicapped young people in the district. There seems to be nothing the local school officials can do about these laws.

There has been made a suggestion that a small tax on moving picture tickets would relieve the situation. It seems as though the schools should be supported by some special tax as well as the roads and other activities.

One of the most difficult problems in connection with the Lempster schools is transportation. There was a very large transportation problem in Lempster before the schools were united. In 1929-1930 Lempster paid for teachers \$2,760.00, transportation \$1,426.50, janitors \$111.60, and for fuel \$107.00. This made a total of \$4,405.10. In 1936-1937 the costs were, teachers \$1,800.00, transportation \$1,759.00, janitors \$72.00, and fuel \$73.00, or a total of \$3,704.00. This is \$701.10 less than the costs of the same four items under the older plan.

Since then it has been harder to get full allowance from the state. The difficulty is in getting adjustments for changes

that come due to families moving in and out of town. I feel sure that it would be more expensive for the state and for the district to go back to the three schools.

I wish to thank the citizens, school officials and the teachers, for their kindness and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER L. MASON,

Superintendent of Schools.

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## SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

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For the Year Ending June 30, 1939

### Receipts

1938

July 1, Balance in the treasury	\$ 23.68
Sept. 1, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	200.00
Oct. 4, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	400.00
Oct. 24, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	400.00
Nov. 22, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	250.00
Dec. 5, Trustees of Trust Funds interest on school funds	18.55
Dec. 6, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	250.00
Dec. 19, State Treasurer, State Aid Fund	2,540.21

1939

Feb. 10, Jennie A. Mowat, dog tax	74.65
May 23, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	200.00
June 13, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	650.00
June 20, Jennie A. Mowat, Town Treasurer	202.11
June 20, Jennie A. Mowat, 1939-40 appropriation	447.89
June 22, State Treas., adjust. on transportation	81.00

Total receipts	\$ 5,738.09
School Board orders paid	4,746.25
Balance in treasury July 1, 1939	\$ 991.84

HAROLD B. NICHOLS, Treasurer.



# SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATE 1940-1941

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$ 1,900.00	
Text books	65.00	
Scholars' supplies	75.00	
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00	
Other expenses of instruction	10.00	
Janitor service	72.00	
Fuel	73.00	
Water, light, janitor supplies	16.00	
Minor repairs and expenses	75.00	
Health supervision	98.00	
Transportation of pupils	1,750.00	
Other special activities	15.00	\$ 4,154.00

### Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 100.00	
Truant Officer and census	6.00	
Payment of tuition in high schools	1,326.40	
Superintendent's excess salary	89.55	
Per capita tax	140.00	
Other obligations	20.00	\$ 1,681.95

Total amount required to meet

School Board's budget \$ 5,835.95

## ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

State Aid (Dec. 1940 allotment)	\$ 2,580.02	
Dog tax (estimate)	75.00	
Income from Trust Funds	18.55	
Deduct total estimated income		\$ 2,673.57
Assessment required to balance budget		\$ 3,162.38

ALICE ALLEN BERGER,  
CHRISTINA RICHARDSON,  
C. W. MOWAT, School Board.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

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### Receipts

From local taxation	\$ 3,000.00
Interest on Trust Funds	18.55
From State Treasurer	2,540.21
Dog tax	74.65
From State Treasurer, adjustment	81.00
Balance on hand July 1, 1938	23.68
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Total	\$ 5,738.09

### Payments

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 100.00
Superintendent's excess salary	89.55
Truant Officer and census	6.00
Expense of administration	14.67
Teachers' salaries	1,800.00
Textbooks	58.05
Scholars' supplies	71.08
Other expense of instruction	9.82
Flags, etc.	1.85
Janitor service	72.00
Fuel	73.00
Janitor supplies	21.30
Minor repairs and expenses	80.15
Medical inspection	93.98
Transportation	1,749.45
High school tuition	383.35
Other special activities	10.00
Premium on bond	6.00
Per capita tax	106.00
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Total	\$ 4,746.25
Balance on hand July 1, 1939	991.84
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	\$ 5,738.09
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Balance on hand July 1, 1939	\$ 991.84

Over payment June 20, 1939	\$	447.89	
1938-1939 high school tuition paid			
Sept. 7, 1939	428.00	\$	875.89
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Actual balance on 1938-1939 budget	\$		115.95

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In behalf of the schools the members of the Lempster School Board extend sincere thanks to the donator of the East Lempster playground equipment and the generous gifts from the Home and Community Welfare Committee of Silver Mountain Grange to the dental clinic and for hot lunches.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE ALLEN BERGER,  
CHRISTINA RICHARDSON,  
C. W. MOWAT,

School Board of Lempster.

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Salaries of District Officers

Harry C. Small, chairman School Board	\$	35.00	
Conchita Hodgman, member School Board		20.00	
Christina Richardson, member School Board		20.00	
Conchita Hodgman, Clerk		5.00	
Lucius Nichols, Moderator		3.00	
Harold B. Nichols, Treasurer		15.00	
Moses H. Douglass, Auditor		2.00	\$ 100.00
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Superintendent's excess salary			89.55
Truant Officer and census			6.00

### Expense of Administration

Treasurer's bond	\$	6.00	
Harry Small, invoice		.67	
Record book		8.00	\$ 14.67

### Teachers' Salaries

Mrs. Viola Horton	\$	900.00	
Miss Claire Sing		900.00	\$ 1,800.00

### Textbooks

Charlestown School District invoices		46.50	
Invoices		11.55	\$ 58.05

### Scholars' Supplies

Charlestown School District invoice	\$	55.13	
Invoice		15.95	\$ 71.08

### Other Expenses of Instruction

Harry Small, invoice	\$	.50	
Scott Foreman & Co.		9.32	\$ 9.82

### Janitor Service

Frank Pollard	\$	36.00	
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Orson Nichols	36.00	\$	72.00
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**Fuel**

Ed. Britton	\$	3.00	
W. Wirkkala		5.00	
Lucius Nichols		32.50	
James Allen		32.50	\$ 73.00

**Janitor Supplies**

Miss Sing, invoice	\$	2.02	
Mrs. Horton, invoice		.65	
Cheshire Chemical Co.		9.50	
McAfee Store		.55	
Charlestown School District, invoice		8.58	\$ 21.30

**Transportation**

Bealer Berquist	\$	776.10	
Edward L. Britton		703.35	
Frank Hodgman, Jr.		270.00	\$ 1,749.45

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

January, 1939 — January, 1940 Inclusive

This report is given in order to bring to your attention factors in the school health program. The routine health inspection shows greater interest in health habits and personal hygiene among all pupils. The test made with the audiometer disclosed 4 pupils have defective hearing.

Defects		Corrected
Number pupils with defective vision	6	3
Number pupils with enlarged tonsils	4	
Number pupils with need of dental service	10	20
Number of pupils with poor posture	6	4
Number pupils underweight	12	10
Number pupils unvaccinated	5	
The annual school dental clinic was held in May		

ZEPHYRINE L. HASHAM,

School Nurse.

## STATISTICAL REPORT 1938-'39

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Number of teachers	2
Number of pupils registered	56
Per cent attendance	91.29
Number of pupils not absent or tardy	None
Cases of tardiness	14
Number of pupils in high school	11
Number of school board meetings	10
Visits by school board members	33
Visits by superintendent	38
Visits by citizens	192
School visits by nurse	35
Home visits by nurse	17

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Lempster, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and find them correct in all respects.

MOSES H. DOUGLASS, Auditor.





